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RESPONSE

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
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Dear Sir:

The Notice of Hearing mailed August 21, 2008, has been received and its contents carefully noted. Filed concurrently herewith is a *Request for Continued Examination and Information Disclosure Statement*. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully requests the subject application be withdrawn from appeal to permit entry of the *Request for Continued Examination*.

The Applicant notes with appreciation the consideration of the Information Disclosure Statements filed on April 8, 1999; December 3, 1999; March 7, 2000; May 4, 2000; July 28, 2000; December 12, 2000; October 5, 2001; February 25, 2002; May 23, 2002; September 6, 2002; August 26, 2003; April 5, 2004; March 4, 2005; December 9, 2005, and March 9, 2006.

A further Information Disclosure Statement is submitted herewith and consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement is respectfully requested.

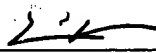
Claims 9-16, 21-24, 33-36, 50-52, 54, and 57-97 are pending in the present application. Claims 69-97 have been withdrawn from consideration by the Examiner.

Accordingly, claims 9-16, 21-24, 33-36, 50-52, 54, and 57-68 are currently elected, of which claims 9, 13, 21, 33, 57-59, and 66 are independent.

In accordance with MPEP 706.07(h)(II), it is requested that the arguments presented in the Appeal Brief filed July 10, 2006 (received by OIPE July 13, 2006), be considered and hereby incorporated by reference.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable to place this application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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